ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES FISHERY UPDATE



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HOONAH SOUND HERRING FISHERY UPDATE #8

Sitka.....After receiving a report of herring spawn in Hoonah Sound yesterday evening, the department conducted an aerial survey of Hoonah Sound and Peril Strait north of Rodman Bay today. Survey conditions were good with clear skies and light wind. Herring spawn was observed on Emmons Island, on the Chichagof Island shore north of Rodgers Point, and on the Chichagof Island shore south of Finger River. Total spawn mileage was 0.7 nm. In addition, herring schools were observed along Emmons Island, on the Chichagof Island shore north of Rodgers Point and on the Chichagof Island shore south of Finger River. There were 3 sea lions north of Emmons Island and 9 sea lions south of Emmons Island. One whale was observed north of Emmons Island on today's survey.

The next aerial survey is scheduled for Wednesday, May 8.

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